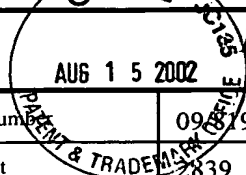


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Group Art Unit	2839	Examiner Name	Patel, T.
Confirmation No.	4237	Attorney Docket No.	939_023
Inventor(s)	Akira MATSUMOTO and Masashi FUKUYAMA		
Invention:	OPTICAL FIBER ARRAY		

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as follows:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

(1)	(2) Claims Remaining After Amendment	(3)	(4) Highest Number Previously Paid	(5) No. of Extra Claims Present	(6) Rate (Large Entity)	(7) Additional Fee
TOTAL CLAIMS	16	MINUS	20	0	\$18.00	\$00.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	1	MINUS	3	0	\$84.00	\$00.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$00.00

EXTENSION OF TERM

☒ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

☐ This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate non-small entity fee are as follows:

- ☐ One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$110.00
☐ Two Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$400.00
☐ Three Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$920.00

TOTAL FEES DUE

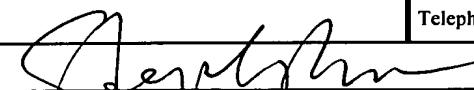
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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is:

FEE PAYMENT

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
☐ A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.
☐ Charge Deposit Account 50-1446 in the amount of \$ _____. Enclosed is a duplicate copy of this sheet.
☒ Please charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-1446.

Submitted By:

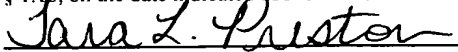
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Attached hereto as Appendix A, pursuant to Rule 1.121(b)(3)(ii), is a substitute specification. Attached hereto as Appendix B, pursuant to Rule 1.121(b)(3)(iii), is a marked-up version of the specification showing the changes being made thereto. Please replace the specification with the substitute specification in Appendix A. Applicants respectfully submit that the substitute specification contains no new matter.